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First Named Inventor	James J. Shelton		
Art Unit	3754		
Examiner Name	Melvin A. Cartagena		
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FILED: November 28, 2001 EXAMINER: CARTAGENA, Melvin A.

FOR: "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR DISINFECTING A REFRIGERATED

WATER COOLER RESERVOIR"

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## **PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a preliminary amendment. This amendment cancels those claims (2 - 4, 10 - 18, and 65 - 67) that have a co-inventor, James Shelton. This application thus only contains the claims that are the invention of Kenneth Davis.

## **AMENDMENT**

Please amend the application as follows (additions are underlined and deletions are shown in strikeout):

Appl. No. 09/996,328 Amendment dated June 23, 2004

Please amend the Applicant to read as follows:

-- James J. Shelton and Kenneth Davis